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Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed June 5, 2003. The Examiner is advised that a Petition for a two month extension, with fee based on small entity, accompanies this response.

Applicant requests restriction to Group I, claims 1 to 17. Within this Group, Applicant elects Sub-group B, claims 1, 4 and 5, as well as claims 12 to 17.

Examination on the merits is now awaited.

If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at (818)710-2788.

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Respectfully submitted,



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